CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A headless server having a front and a back, the server comprising:

a management processor;

a first network connector disposed on the front of the server;

a second network connector disposed on the back of the server; and

a coupling device adapted to couple at least one of the first network connector and the second network connector to the management processor.

2. The server, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the first network connector comprises an Ethernet connector.

3. The server, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the first network connector comprises a serial connector.

4. The server, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the second network connector comprises an Ethernet connector.

5. The server, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the second network connector comprises a serial connector.

6. The server, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the coupling device comprises a switch adapted to alternately couple the first network connector and the second network connector to the management processor.

7. The server, as set forth in claim 6, wherein the coupling device comprises a control device coupled to the switch to selectively alternate the switch between the first network connector and the second network connector.

8. The server, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the coupling device comprises one of a network hub and a network switch adapted to couple the first network connector and the second network connector to the management processor simultaneously.

9. The server, as set forth in claim 8, wherein the coupling device comprises a control device coupled to the one of the network hub and network switch to control communications from the first network connector and the second network connector.

10. A computer system comprising:

a rack; and

a plurality of servers mounted in the rack, each of the plurality of servers having a front and a back, wherein at least one of the plurality of servers comprises:

a management processor;

a first network connector disposed on the front of the server;

a second network connector disposed on the back of the server; and

a coupling device adapted to couple at least one of the first network connector and the second network connector to the management processor.

11. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the first network connector comprises an Ethernet connector.

12. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the first network connector comprises a serial connector.

13. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the second network connector comprises an Ethernet connector.

14. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the second network connector comprises a serial connector.

15. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the coupling device comprises a switch adapted to alternately couple the first network connector and the second network connector to the management processor.

16. The system, as set forth in claim 15, wherein the coupling device comprises a control device coupled to the switch to selectively alternate the switch between the first network connector and the second network connector.

17. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the coupling device comprises one of a network hub and network switch adapted to couple the first network connector and the second network connector to the management processor simultaneously.

18. The system, as set forth in claim 17, wherein the coupling device comprises a control device coupled to the one of the network hub and network switch to control communications from the first network connector and the second network connector.

19. The system, as set forth in claim 10, wherein the rack comprises a backplane, and wherein the second network connector is coupled to the backplane.

20. A method of administrating a computer comprising the act of:

coupling a management console to a network connector located on a front portion of the computer.